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- A. It is unlawful for any person to drive, park or move on, upon or across or for the owner to cause or knowingly permit to be driven, parked or moved on, upon or across any City Street, any vehicle or vehicles of a size and weight exceeding the limitations set forth in this Chapter 10.15 or as otherwise prohibited by Chapter 15 of the Illinois Vehicle Code (625 ILCS 5/15-101 et seq.).
- B. The provisions of this Chapter 10.15 governing size, weight and load do not apply to fire apparatus or equipment for snow or ice removal operations owned or operated by any governmental body, or to implements of husbandry, as defined in Chapter 1 of the Illinois Vehicle Code (625 ILCS 5/1-101 et seq.), temporarily operated or towed in a combination upon a City Street provided such combination does not consist of more than three (3) vehicles or, in the case of hauling fresh, perishable fruits or vegetables from farm to the point of first processing, not more than three (3) wagons being towed by an implement of husbandry, or to a vehicle operated under the terms of a special permit issued hereunder.
- C. The provisions of this Chapter 10.15 shall not apply to snow or ice removal equipment that is no more than twelve (12) feet in width, if the equipment displays flags at least eighteen (18) inches square mounted on the driver's side of the snow plow.
- D. Where lower size and weight limitations or other restrictions are imposed by City ordinance or pursuant to Sections 15-316 or 15-317 of the Illinois Vehicle Code (625 ILCS 5/15-316 and 5/15-316), and signs indicating such limitations or restrictions are posted, it shall be unlawful to operate any vehicle or combination of vehicles in excess of such size or weight limitations or in violation of such restrictions.
- E. As set forth in Section 15-111 and 15-316 of the Illinois Vehicle Code, it shall be unlawful to operate any vehicle upon any City Street where the operation of that vehicle is prohibited by the City Code and where signs of such prohibition are posted. Vehicles operating under the authority of said Sections of the Illinois Vehicle Code, while utilizing City Streets under "reasonable access" rules, shall be considered in violation of this Chapter if they are not utilizing the most direct route to points of loading and unloading.
- F. It shall be unlawful to operate any Construction Vehicle on any City Street when signs are posted on said street prohibiting "Construction Vehicles." For the purposes of this Chapter, the term "Construction Vehicle" shall mean "any vehicle of 10,000 lbs. (10,000) actual weight, registered gross weight or GVWR that is required to comply with Illinois Compiled Statutes, Chapter 625, Sections 5/12-712 and 5/12-713 pertaining to identification required to be displayed."
- G. Whenever any vehicle or combination of vehicles is operated in violation of this Chapter, the owner and/or driver of such vehicle(s) shall be deemed guilty of such violation and either or both the owner or driver of such vehicle(s) may be prosecuted for such violation.
- H. Vehicles subject to this Chapter shall be equipped with an illuminated rotating, oscillating, or flashing amber light or lights, or a flashing amber strobe light or lights, mounted on the top of the cab and of sufficient intensity to be visible at five hundred (500) feet in normal sunlight. If the load on the transport vehicle blocks the visibility of the amber lighting from the rear of the vehicle, the vehicle must also be equipped with an illuminated rotating, oscillating, or flashing amber light or lights, or a flashing amber strobe light or lights, mounted on the rear of the load and of sufficient intensity to be visible at five hundred (500) feet in normal sunlight.
- I. For the purposes of this Chapter, the term "City Street" shall mean any street, road, highway or other public right-of-way that is subject to the jurisdiction of the City of St. Charles. All other terms not defined herein shall have the definitions attributed thereto by the Illinois Vehicle Code (625 ILCS 5/1-101 et seq.).

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